

will sell and hope to replenish later. They should be afforded reasonable protection from their own foolhardiness. Export should therefore be controlled. Smuggling from Debba and elsewhere can perhaps be discouraged by a system of price control, or by police patrols.

*Xm*

14/1/42.

Sent to W.F.C. in private letter dated 13/1/42  
Supply as a preliminary statement subject  
to further check & adjustment later. *Xm* 15/1/42

As a result of special survey for 1941-42

which crop is estimated as:-

PPS & Sagies	4260 tons	(27,695 ardebs)
G.P.S.	800 tons	
Total	<u>say, 5000 tons.</u>	

*Xm*

4/3/42.



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Khartoum

12/1/42

Dear Laurence

Christine has forgiven me, is  
attached. I hope you & Doreen like  
Merowe Manor, & are settled in

My regards to Mustafa Nada. I hope  
Doreen will help the girls' school.

I want to thank you for your good  
companionship & work while in this  
office, & esp. over Local Govt. & the  
Administration School. You can now  
put your principles into practice!

It's a pity Merowe has no NA  
leader like Zobeir. Tetherington's district  
notes are a bit abusive of the local  
citizens, but his stomach was darkening  
his outlook latterly, & they can't be  
quite as spineless & unreliable as he  
made out.

God save you from Low Niles & Nimitti  
The best of luck to you both, yours ever  
797/4/5 Douglas Muboh





(a) Does the 2000 tons include  
r/pa requirements which will  
amount to up to 1000 tons  
700 tons?

(b) This will be done. Receiving 600 tons.  
I shall try to get the two strands to  
see 9000 feeders.

(c) This is just under 11,000 tons  
Khartoum will be above  
the anticipated market price last  
May.

(d) This will not interest Egyptians  
but will help in fixing a  
maximum export price under license.

(e) Regarding this maybe required if  
the market goes up the cost in  
advance will then rise up also  
if the market price is put  
under control at once.

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(f) This will require discussion etc.

(i) Under A.P.F. will be available?

(ii) They will have to wait &  
pay out price of 13,000 adlets

(iii) What is the minimum unit they  
are prepared to take over 1 adlet,  
half adlet, whole or 1000?

(iv) Stationing Government to contribute  
will be a <sup>Khartoum</sup> Khartoum, Seleim, Wadai, Mada  
Gadda, Gadda, Delta, Kadda, Fawar,  
Nuri. There are no working machines  
in Darfur area except at Darfur (Seleim).

(v) Dates on which they will take over  
will have to be widely & early  
fulfilled. How long will it  
take to work 1500 adlets apparent  
at each station?

(g) What is it like strand? This  
will affect S.R. transport. How  
much can S.R. handle (with Ventrone)  
in 3 months ~~thing~~ - output?

(h) I hope this will be unnecessary.  
This will be human before June.

1800 tons including  
spare parts (cargo) if available.

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(1) This will allow members from  
Baying to first & encourage the  
Christianity of Africa.

(j) This is the Queen's job. &  
Can do no more than encourage  
the members to write about  
Sole and then would but not  
about relations in Russia, B.N.P. etc.  
(k) at Dargale & Kaveria, 150 two  
at each place. This will have  
the impact.

(L) Yes, it is an affair in itself.

(m) What does this mean? I shall  
discuss the report of what &  
encourage the input of them.

(n) In what? The A.P. have no  
Scheme. That depends on  
what S.R. can manage.

(2) These should be included in  
M/D area. There is no contact at  
Kaine. So it is a bit unreasonable.  
But it would be a fair trial  
if Louis was relieved. 797/4/25

(o) This may be subject to  
further.

(p) Return what? availability of transport  
for the members at that time of the  
year?

(q) The second cell at K.E. 15 & no  
transport required for paying fees  
of £17. Members will be taken to  
port of the river & then will be  
very few is engaged.  
The members are to write down  
it will be the work too difficult  
for them & Queen B.N.P. & Kande-  
wale asked to write Louis  
if B.C. records. Members  
can then apply through Kaine Policy.



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WHEAT.

1. Estimated crop. 1942.

<u>Tons.</u>	
850	G.P.S.
800	P.P.S.
<u>2000</u>	Sagias
<u>3650</u>	<u>Total.</u>

2. Estimated feednage.

1360	G.P.S.
8000	P.P.S.
<u>7000</u>	Sagias.
<u>10,360</u>	<u>Total.</u>

3. Estimated minimum seed required to be sowed at  
12 kirsats a feddan.

<u>Ardebs.</u>		<u>Tons.</u>	
680	=	90	G.P.S.
1000	=	134	P.P.S.
<u>3500</u>	=	<u>466</u>	Sagias.
<u>5180</u>	=	<u>690</u>	<u>Total.</u>

*L.S.*

22:2:42.

\* Input < Output of Cereals.

	<u>Tons input</u>	<u>Tons output</u>	
1938	2769	12	} add the unknown quantities taken for duplex area 5 Khalas - Sukkitt.
1939	2384	19	
1940	3965	27	
1941	3941	35	



WHSAT.

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850	G.P.S.
800	P.P.S.
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1360	G.P.S.
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<u>10,360</u>	<u>Total.</u>

3. Estimated minimum seed required to be saved at  
12 kirats a feddan.

<u>Ardebs.</u>		<u>Tons.</u>	
680	=	90	G.P.S.
1000	=	134	P.P.S.
<u>3500</u>	=	<u>466</u>	Sagias.
<u>5180</u>	=	<u>690</u>	<u>Total.</u>

*[Signature]*

22:2:42.

\* Import & Export of Cereals.

	<u>Tons imported</u>	<u>Tons exported</u>	
1938	2769	18	all these unknown quantities taken from Duple area & Helos & Sukhik.
1939	2384	19	
1940	3955	27	
1941	3941	35	





# IMPORT OF CEREALS.

Month.	1938 Tons.	1939 Tons.	1940 Tons.	1941 Tons.
January.....	386.....	231.....	194.....	71
February.....	190.....	246.....	216.....	73
March.....	196.....	292.....	228.....	227
April.....	161.....	355.....	240.....	188
May.....	277.....	307.....	405.....	515
June.....	403.....	381.....	531.....	421
July.....	342.....	285.....	1178.....	575
August.....	223.....	163.....	799.....	437
September.....	307.....	29.....	105.....	137
October.....	89.....	27.....	15.....	7
November.....	52.....	68.....	16.....	220
December.....	243.....	188.....	138.....	1070
<b>TOTALS</b>	<del>3750</del> 3759	2572	4055	3941

Ms. Stocks reduced on 18/12/41 = 180 tons

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School of Arts,  
Khartoum.

27. 4. 42.

Dear Lawrence,

Two cadets, el Tayeb el Tahir and Mhd. Moshin Yassin, are being sent to Geneva for military training in July - Pwos will have written you regarding dates, etc. I am writing you a private note about the pair as they are both difficult characters.

Unless Mhd. Moshin Yassin changes his ways, I would regard him potentially as a most dangerous type of person to become a man. He is the worst type of baboo, clever, very anti-British and of low moral character. Academically he comes out near the best in the class but on every possible occasion attacks British rule, British policy, British integrity, etc. Recently he wrote a most ill considered essay on the British in India and in his last essay for Pwos expressed the view that there could be no Sudanese progress so long as the British continued to show this complete mistrust of the native. He got some notoriety in being <sup>a party</sup> ~~involved~~ in a bugging case before he joined the section and is now involved in a forgery case. If this goes against him, you won't see him in Geneva! You know the lines on which they were instructed in the Civil Service Tradition last year - and this year. But I wonder how far it has had an effect on Mhd. Moshin. What I should like to know is how far he expresses his views to the less enlightened of his brethren. As a student

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he is free to talk like any other member of the community but as a cadet under training in a military his views must be controlled, and he has been told so. It is on this point particularly I would ask your help. If you hear that he has been propagating his views in Jeddah or the neighborhood, I should be very grateful if you would let me know.

El Tayeb el Tahid is a likeable character, but rather young and weak. He is a friend of Mr. Nwachi and inclined to be his mouthpiece. If El Tayeb overcomes his immaturity, I think he may become quite a useful government servant. I am not anxious that he should be too much under the influence of Mr. Nwachi so if it is possible to separate them in their military training, I should be very grateful.

Sorry to be such a nuisance but you will agree that these years of training are very important and may save trouble later on. Thank goodness Mr. Nwachi is the only one (or two) of his kind in the class of 12.

We are off to Egypt on the 5<sup>th</sup> and then I come back to join the distinguished band of D.C.s of the Province at Khartoum. We were very sorry not to be able to put you up in Khartoum but we are handing over the house to a friend on the 4<sup>th</sup> of Nov. Do come and stay with us again. Love to Doreen - yours ever. John Brown 797/4/32



Ed Damer, 8th July 1942

*Mr Laurence*

This is No.2 of today. I had just finished typing you a letter and sealed it up when yours arrived in the office. I hope Nada's family is alright and that he has news of them. I think that things are quieting down a lot.

I think that the wheat purchase has been a tremendous success and you and Laing and all the others get the full marks. I am writing a separate letter to Zubeir to congratulate him and his fellow workers. It is good news about the 'Rabie' cultivation and the state of the animals. If only we could make this 'Rabie' cultivation a custom ~~x~~ we should never <sup>have</sup> to think again of importing cotton seed at great price. I agree about the Seifi crop but we must have some guess any way at the end of this month.

Will you send me sometime the total arrivals of grain from outside for my files. All I want is the total of each month.

Abdalla Eff Hassan Hussein went to Merowe to set out your scheme of patrols and Scouts. It was never intended that the Mudiria should send you any instructions at all. He went specially to give them to you. If there is any mistake it was of his making.

Ref. The two Mamours Cadets: I am taking up this with Khartoum.

Ref. the Intermediate School Master: We wrote to the Education Depart on June the 19th and never got an answer. I have just sent a reminder.

Thank you for giving up Soufi. The Province have given up 3 : one from the Mudiria, one from Atbara and one from you. We can in no way afford them but the S.D.F. is up against it and I felt we had to play the game. I wonder if any other Province has done <sup>the</sup> same. I think your idea about Dreen is a good one and I will certainly take it up in Khartoum.

It is good that the cultivation is so satisfactory. The great idea now is to protect it from locusts. Do not hesitate to send out police to ensure that heaps of manure or other smoke materials ~~x~~ is ready for them, if they come. A lot can be done to save the sagias by such small means.

Thank you for your note about your visitors' scheme. He has not yet put an appearance in Ed Damer.

L.M. Buchannan, Esq.  
D.C. Merowe/Dongola

*G. Bull*





Bahkt - Ritz

December 24<sup>th</sup> 1942

Dear Buchanan,

I'm afraid your 17 + candidate  
for the Rural Intermediate (Sid Ahmed el Sheikh  
Barkin) did very badly and it would have  
been quite hopeless to take him. (57 marks out of 200).

I am more sorry about another of your  
candidate - Diran Gatti of Goleed, who did  
very well indeed, but is really too old for  
a 17 year Intermediate. We have felt we  
ought to take some of the remote Dargan  
+ Kordfan old boys, but that Northern  
Province can find young ones. We can't take  
more than a certain proportion of such boys  
in it upsets our school. I hope you  
understand the situation - though you may  
feel mayhem about this particular  
case.

All the best & a very happy

Christmas

Yours - W. G. G. G.

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Merowe, Dec. 18th. 1942.

Dear

This is to introduce Sh. Ahmed Said, President of the Debba (Fung) branch area of Merowe District.

He has a boy named Mirghani in the Coptic College whom he is anxious to have admitted into the Higher Schools (preferably Shambat)

I am told boys from this college may be entered provided they pass the normal competitive entrance examination.

I should be grateful if you could explain to the Father what steps he should take. This is a private matter and I am not suggesting the boy should be given any preference on Administrative grounds.

Yours sincerely.

G.C. Scott Esq



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Merowe, Dec. 28th. 1942.

Dear

This is to introduce Sh. Ahmed Said, President of the Debba area of Merowe district.

In 1938 Mayo operated on him for piles and again treated him in 1940 with injections. He is still having trouble and has to lead an active life.

I should be grateful for anything you can do.

Yours sincerely,

F. Bartholomew Esq.



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Khartoum 31. 12. 42

Dear Laurence      Eric showed me this  
letter about dhuma, as well as letter  
from Pat Sudan. I agree with all he  
says in it. I saw Caudwell yesterday  
& told him 'No dhuma, no wheat'. I dis-  
cussed to him all the difficulties.  
He was sympathetic but I could not  
get a straight answer out of him.  
I hope to see him in the next few days.  
The truth is that the dhuma situation  
is really serious. The Govt has a very  
poor one. There is plenty of dhuma  
but it is not coming out. No one can  
say for certain what I am saying but  
the big merchants are at the back

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Others say that transport charges for<sup>2</sup>  
field & railways are so heavy that  
none can afford to sell at the  
controlled market price. Others that the  
farmers in the district have so  
much cash that they just do not want  
to sell the district produce (lack of  
good taking over the whole district  
trade & distribution).

Have some hopes that we shall be able to  
get some from Gujarat in the meantime  
I am afraid that you & your fellows must  
make some efforts to get some from  
the Gujarat. However that you are counting  
on some three thousand tons from there in  
any case. Punjab, Berber & Allahabad are

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Getting Steady Supplies from the Region.

Gov. Michelson tells me that Supplies are  
actually being built up in the two towns  
- but no tenders are being received for  
any Port Contracts. It seems to me that if  
you are a dealer I have a brother or cousin  
in the same trade in the B.P. You can  
get the stuff.

I am sorry that this is so unsatisfactory  
to you. I shall have better news  
in a couple of days.

Happy New Year to you both

Bill





**SUDAN GOVERNMENT.**

حكومة السودان

I am instructed by His Excellency the Governor-General to acknowledge with thanks your offer to volunteer for emergency service in the event of war.

كفني حضرة صاحب المآلي الحاكم العام ان اخبركم مع الشكر باستلام طلبكم الذي تعرضون فيه ان تطوعوا للخدمة الطارئة لو نشبت الحرب

Your name has been registered and if your services are required you will receive a notification in due course as to the work which you will be requested to undertake.

وقد سجل اسمكم وفق احتاج الامر لخدماتكم سيديكم اعلان في الوقت المناسب عن العمل الذي سيهد اليكم

Governor of Province,

مدير المديرية



Education Dept,  
Khartoum.

11.1.43

Dear Buchanan,

Your letter of Dec 28th about Sh.

Amud Said's son was brought to me by the  
boy himself, Hingani, since his father was ill.

The qualification laid down for entry into any  
of the Higher Schools is 'the Cambridge School Certificate,  
or its equivalent'.

Hingani has completed the 12th year Secondary  
(Egyptian syllabus), which is considered as roughly  
equal (actually, I think, rather lower) than 12th  
year Gordon College. \* He could now enter for the  
Cambridge SC next December, but this would be  
very difficult for him; I don't think he could do it.

~~He~~ And Warden GC has, I know, no room  
for extra pupils in his 1943 school and classes.

The letter comes for him <sup>soon to</sup> be to take the  
Egyptian 6th year secondary. Successful completion  
of this gives entry into Cairo University, and would  
~~probably~~ be considered as the "equivalent" of the

\* Not lower than Cambridge S.C.



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Cambridge School but for the purposes of writing into  
Sudan High School. He cannot, however,  
take this course in the Sudan, but would have  
to do so in an Egyptian School. Could this be  
the way that 50 year Egyptian Secondary has not  
yet been officially recognized as the Cambridge S.C.  
equivalent, but is one of the many questions pending  
decision by the (as yet unformed) governing body.

Perhaps the matter may be decided before the  
summer (I hope so). If ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~decision is postponed~~ <sup>decision is postponed</sup>, could that  
the 50 year course meet autumn (to start about  
if till then, anyhow, & so term begins then, not  
at the beginning of the year.)

I tried to explain this to the boy, but will  
try to get hold of his father too. He's all very  
unenthusiastic, I am afraid. The trouble is  
that our post-secondary education is in such  
a very embryo stage that one can't tell yet  
what is an aim & what a lag, & whether the  
latter would be a relief or a disappointment. So,  
many people are not satisfied for what you ask  
me about this case again in April? Sorry!

All the best,

Yours,

PCB



Bahkt in Rude

January 12<sup>th</sup> 1943

Dear Bruchman,

My defence (and attack!) is —

1. Diana Satti - His name was (a) only added after the list had been made out and (b) was put as UNCLASSIFIED - i.e. no special consideration then given him. Even if we accept his official age as 14, he is old for the Intermediate School & therefore only acceptable if classified as an A+ or a strong B. This Intermediate School takes so many old boys for special reasons that its entries into the Gordon College are very low. This is affecting its reputation and we have two cases this year (one from Merowe) of fathers wanting to transfer their boys to another Sudan School. The suspected reason is that they think the boy has a better chance in other P.S.s.

2. Bahkt - Sudan entry - (1) Omar Suliman Abu Kanog - did quite well in the entry exam but not nearly so well as quite a large number of other boys. I have accepted him now (as you know from the telegram) but I cannot understand why he should be pressed on administrative grounds. We already have his brother in the Intermediate School and it is surely not still necessary in the Northern Province for clerical teachers to be drawn from natives' families. I can understand the necessity for this amongst the Hamar or some other backward tribes where confidence is not yet established in education - but not in Northern Province. Kanog got 24 marks less than the boy I first wired for ( $\frac{121}{200} - \frac{145}{200}$ !).

(2) Regarding not taking boys for Galed, we



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- 10 - Hassan Abd Hashim: Teaching is good.  
Intelligent; takes active part in discussion.  
vivid.
- 11 - Wad Easa Ziyada: Teaching is very good. Patient.  
Intelligent but does not take active part in discussion.
- 12 - Mohd Ahmed Badr: Not intelligent - Keen but  
rather slow in understanding.  
Teaching is satisfactory but should put life in  
his lesson.
- 13 - Beshir Ali el Sharji: Manner of teaching small  
boys not pleasant. Should vary his work & should  
try to put life in it. Should also develop the roving  
eye.
- 14 - Ahmed Amin Iahmi: Teaching is good -  
but ~~is~~ Noisy - should vary his work.
- 15 - Siddiq Mokajir: Willing but not intelligent.  
Teaching is fairly good but a bit slow.
- 16 - Ibrahim Mahmud: Good. Takes trouble in  
explaining to the boys. Should develop the roving eye.
- 17 - Ahmed Ibrahim Saad: Fairly good. A bit  
slow in questioning. His discipline is not good.
- 18 - Omer Mohd Easa: Average. Discipline is not good.  
Does not take part in discussion.

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